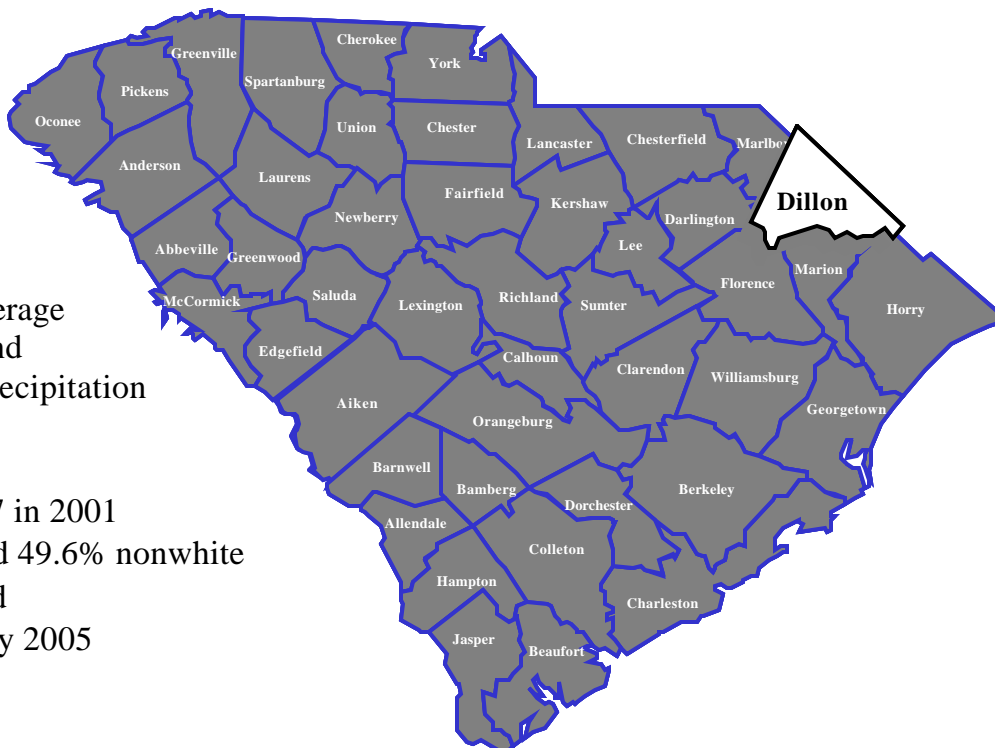


Spotlight on Dillon County...

Location & Climate

- Located in the Northeast area of the state
- Surrounded by Marlboro, Florence, Marion, and Horry Counties and North Carolina
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 61.7 degrees and experiences 45.48 inches of precipitation



Population

- Equaled approximately 30,927 in 2001
- Comprised of 50.4% white and 49.6% nonwhite
- Median age was 34.2 years old
- Estimated to grow to 31,700 by 2005

Labor Force

- Decreased from 13,030 in 2001 to 12,990 in 2002
- Unemployment rate fell from 12.5% in 2001 to 9.5% in 2002

Employment

- Average monthly employment for the County was 11,750 in 2002

Per Capita Income

- Per capita income for the County was \$18,033 in 2001
- It was 73% of the state's PCI of \$24,840

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Marion Workforce Center, serving Dillon and Marion Counties, paid \$7,059,411 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2002.

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